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SUBJ: SAHEL DISASTER, COORDINATION WITH MINISTER DAKOURE

FOR: AMB EASUM

FROM: WILLIAMS - PRESIDENT'S COORDINATOR FOR SAHEL DROUGHT
RELIEF

1. FOLLOWING COORDINATION MEETINGS WITH FAO IN ROME AND WITH FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND OECD IN PARIS, I WAS PREPARED TO TRAVEL TO OUAGADOUGOU TO REVIEW WORK OF SAHEL INTERSTATE COMMITTEE WITH MINISTER DAKOURE. I NOW FIND DAKOURE IS IN PARIS UNDERGOING MEDICAL TREATMENT. WE ARE PLANNING TO MEET HERE NEXT WEEK.

2. I PLACE HIGH IMPORTANCE ON EFFECTIVE COORDINATION AMONG THE SAHEL STATES AS ESSENTIAL TO SOUND PLANNING, IN BOTH ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL TERMS, FOR RECOVERY PROGRAMS. ANY TRIPS I MAKE TO REGION WOULD BE TIMED PRIMARILY TO STRENGTHEN
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THIS COORDINATION. SAM ADAM'S VISIT IS FOR IMPORTANT

AND PERSONAL FIELD ASSESSMENT AND WOULD NOT DUPLICATE MY
OVERALL COORDINATION RESPONSIBILITIES AND CONCERNS.

3. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUGGESTION ON TALKING POINTS FOR
MY DISCUSSION HERE WITH MINISTER DAKOURE AND ANY OTHER
SUGGESTIONS WHICH WOULD HELP FORWARD OUR OBJECTIVES FOR
MORE EFFECTIVE RELIEF AND REHABILITATION COORDINATION.
WILLIAMS

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